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In re Application of :  
Eberhard Rau, et al. :  
Application No. 10/530,228 : ON PETITION  
Filed: April 4, 2005 :  
Attorney Docket No. 3243 :  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 23, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

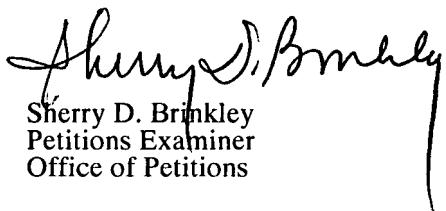
The application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to an Office action mailed September 22, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on May 7, 2007. On May 23, 2007, the present petition was filed.

The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2), an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a Request for Continued Examination and submission (37 CFR 1.114), or the filing of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). See MPEP 711.03(c)(II)(A)(2).

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), including the fee of \$790 and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee of \$1,500; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2834 for processing of the RCE and for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the amendment submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. Inquiries relating to further prosecution should be directed to the Technology Center.

  
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